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Sir:

The Chinese Patent cited on the attached PTO/SB/08A form is to be considered by the Examiner in the examination of the above-referenced patent application. A Copy of the Chinese patent is submitted herewith. Also submitted is a copy of the Japanese related PCT Publication WO98/02002. Unfortunately, an English translation is not available at this time.

It is requested that the Examiner consider the patents and make them of record on the attached PTO/SB/08A form.

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicant is also submitting herewith a copy of a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and copies of the documents listed in the attached form PTO/SB/08A form for the Examiner's consideration.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before the mailing date of a first office action on the merits.

EP 0 713 340 is also listed on the attached PTO/SB/08A form and is in the English language.

The requirement of 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3) for a concise explanation of the relevance is satisfied by an English language version or translation of the foreign patent office report citing EP 0 713 340 A2. FB 2268661 A was submitted previously to the U.S. PTO in the Information Disclosure Statement of February 12, 2004.

It is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be considered by the Examiner.

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